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ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

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Execution of NH Projects
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has found any complaints/anomalies in the execution of National Highway Projects running across the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) the details regarding safety measures taken/being taken, NH-wise and State-wise and their impact in this regard; and

(d) the details of the roads connected with Highways during the last three years, State-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA)
(a) to (b) Some complaints regarding quality of execution have been received and their details are annexed. Quality checking of materials/testing is being conducted by the Quality Assurance Team of NHAI and by the respective Engineer of the Project for ensuring quality of material used in construction work as per IRC Guidelines and Quality Assurance Manual. Besides, as per Concession/Contract Agreement, Independent Engineer/Authority Engineer of the respective Packages review the quality of construction of Highways. Some of the National Highways projects work is affected mainly due to land acquisition, utility shifting, non availability of Soil/Aggregates, Poor performance of contractors, Environment/ Forest/Wildlife Clearance, ROB & RUB issue with Railways, Public agitation for additional facilities, Arbitration/contractual disputes with contractors etc

(c) Road safety improvement works have been included on National Highways in different states in the current year Annual Plan 2016-17. 35 nos. of works at an estimated cost of about Rs. 400 Crore have been identified and finalization of proposal for sanction is under progress. Ministry has also decided to install crash barriers at accident prone locations on National Highways on Hilly Terrain. Stretches for installation of crash barrier in hilly areas of National Highways totaling a length of 350Kms have been recently received from 9 hilly state.

(d) Various roads have been connected through 17883 km of National Highways during the last three years in the country.